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School Board Report May 2025

Enrollment

2024-25

- Current Enrollment: 471 students (does not reflect FTE)

2025-2026

Students Pending: 159

Families Pending: 88

Students Enrolled: 11

Families Enrolled: 8

Total: 171

Total: 96

FTE Trends

School Year	FTE
2024/2025	460.25
2023/2024	458.35
2022/2023	455.75
2021/2022	485.36
2020/2021	668.51
2019/2020	318.65
2018/2019	244.00
2017/2018	234.62

Enrollment for the 2025-2026 school year opened the first week of February. We are down approximately 25% compared to last year.

PACE Outreach

Ketchikan had a successful beach day activity on April 30 with high attendance. The Craig horseback riding activity was canceled by the vendor due to high winds. Anchorage and Wasilla will have their final combined activity on May 22 at the reindeer farm from 11-2.

CRAIG

100 School Road
P.O. Box 800
Craig, AK 99921
866-864-5491 Option 4

KETCHIKAN

2417 Tongass Ave.
Suite 209C
Ketchikan, AK 99901
866-864-5491 Option 2

ANCHORAGE

4241 B. St.
Suite 203
Anchorage, AK 99517
866-864-5491 Option 1

WASILLA

351 W. Parks Hwy
Suite 101
Wasilla, AK 99654
866-864-5491 Option 3

Teachers are now focused on completing work samples, reimbursement requests, and completing grades for the school year. All papers and documentation was due on May 16.

School Improvement

The year-end school improvement reporting was submitted. The MTSS reports will conclude at the end of May. The final reports will have recommendations for next year (students who need to continue with extra support or need to be added). The grad coach position was a one-year position based on funding, and it will be determined at a later date whether this position will be posted again for FY25-26. Cara Nygard did a fantastic job working and connecting with students to help them complete their coursework.

Staffing

- Josh Andrews, our new PACE Principal, will begin on July 1. Heather Mendonsa and Josh Andrews have meetings scheduled to ensure a smooth transition.
- Jen Whicker's last day will be June 30, as she is retiring. Robert Jeffrey has been hired to replace Jen, and he will be working from the Craig PACE office.
- Cara Nygard's grad coach contract will end on June 30, 2025.
- PACE is still looking for a full-time administrative assistant for the Anchorage office.

Office Changes

- The Ketchikan office will close at the end of the FY24/25 school year. Furniture and books are being liquidated through various sales and online listings. Larger furniture items have been sold, and reusable curriculum has been packed and labeled for transfer back to Craig
- Anchorage is looking at some alternative locations to cut back on the monthly overhead. One location has been identified and negotiations are underway, but a contract has not yet been signed.
- The Craig office is being packed. The new location for PACE is TBA. The current office will be used next year as the middle school language arts classroom.